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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed June 7, 2004, Applicant has enclosed herewith the following documents to complete the above-identified application filed March 23, 2004:

1. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted;

2. Credit Card Authorization Form in the amount of \$900.00 to cover the Patent Application Filing Fee and Surcharge Fee;

3. Postcard.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$900 for a Large Entity

• \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.

• \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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